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Holiday Hours and Entrance Fee Changes

Little Bighorn Battlefield will close at noon on Thursday, December 24 and reopen on Saturday, December 26, 2015. We will also be closed on Friday January 1, 2016 for New Year's Day. This allows our employees the opportunity to spend important holiday time with their families. Superintendent Swanke and the park staff wish everyone a great holiday season!

Winter hours are still in effect. Except for these holiday closures, both the visitor center and Custer National Cemetery are open from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM daily. The 25 minute orientation film titled "Triumph and Tragedy Along the Little Bighorn" is shown in the visitor center upon request. The tour road may close temporarily when winter weather conditions prohibit safe travel, especially beyond the Calhoun Hill area.

Starting on January 1, 2016, Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument will increase visitor entrance fees in order to fund important maintenance and improvements within the park. The new entrance fees will be: private, non-commercial vehicle \$20; motorcycle \$15; per person walk-in or bicycle \$10.

Little Bighorn Battlefield is one of 131 National Park units that currently charge entrance fees. We are authorized to implement this final rate change to align with a new National Park Service rate schedule as announced in 2015. The Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (FLREA) is the legislation under which Little Bighorn Battlefield currently collects entrance fees. Since the beginning of FLREA and its predecessor program, Fee Demo, parks across the nation, including Little Bighorn Battlefield, have spent these funds to enhance visitor services by funding facility repair and maintenance, visitor amenities, and visitor programs and services.

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